

DANIELLA LEVINE CAVA MAYOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

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Dear Miami-Dade County Childcare Provider:

On Monday, April 5, 2021, I signed <u>Emergency Order 33-20</u> and published the <u>Miami-Dade County COVID Safety Guidelines</u>, a guidebook for residents and commercial establishments that provides health and safety recommendations and replaces the New Normal Guidelines.

It is important to note that Emergency Order 33-20 cancels emergency orders tied to childcare operations and eliminates the cap restrictions for childcare centers. The order also allows social distancing to be consistent with <u>current CDC guidelines</u>. Your center may therefore increase the number of children served, provided that your establishment complies with facial covering requirements, provides hand sanitizer or facilities for hand-washing, uses reasonable efforts to ensure that children and employees onsite maintain appropriate social distancing, as recommended by current CDC guidance, and ensures that sick employees do not report to work. I also encourage you to read the complete guidebook because it provides best-practices information to keep you and the children and families you serve as safe as possible during this pandemic.

If you are operating a School Readiness, Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) or Head Start program, please continue to adhere to policies that govern these programs and seek guidance from the program administrator.

Any questions about the County's guidelines may be directed to: covidsafetyguidelines@miamidade.gov.

Thank you for all you are doing to keep our children safe.

Sincerely,

Daniella Lenne Cava